

Urban Streams Restoration Program



**2014 SOLICITATION
APPLICANT WORKSHOPS**



Agenda



- **PSP & Guidelines Overview**
 - Changes from draft to final
 - Funding
 - Eligibility
 - Application Submittal
 - Proposal Evaluation
 - Schedule
- **Question and Answer**

Changes From Draft to Final

Changes from draft to final



- Guidelines changes were minor
- PSP changes were also minor
 - ✦ Updated schedule
 - ✦ Resolution examples- local agency & citizens' group

Funding

Funding



Available funding for Urban Streams Solicitation

- Propositions 13 & 84
- Total \$7.9 million available
- \$1 million cap per proposal

Eligibility

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Applicant

- Sponsor and Co Sponsor
- Local Agency
- Citizens' Group

Eligibility



- Provide flood or erosion control benefits and restoration
- Community outreach
- Meet Urban Stream definition
- Property acquisitions from willing sellers

Other Requirements



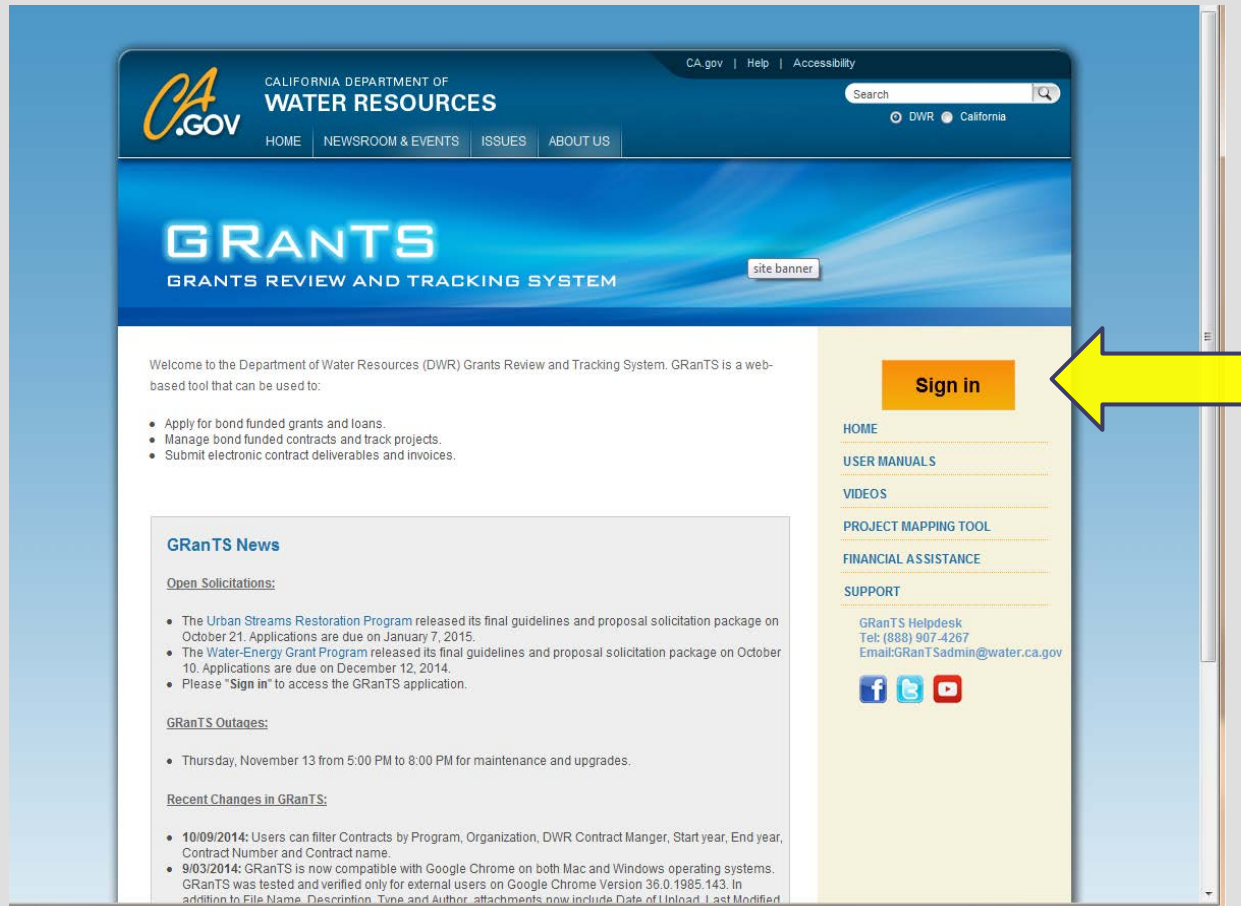
- **Urban Water Management Plans**
- **Labor Compliance**
- **Environmental Documentation**
- **See PSP for additional requirements**

Application Submittal

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- DWR's GRanTS website



Application Submittal



- Sign in or register on GRanTS
- “Urban Streams Restoration 2014”
- Questions about GRanTS?
 - Email GRanTSadmin@water.ca.gov or call (888) 907-4267
- Questions about Application?
 - Email or call USRP staff directly
 - Or email USRPinfo@water.ca.gov

Application Submittal



GRanTS Tips

- Don't wait until last minute to submit
- Save often and save before leaving a tab
- Use Internet Explorer or Google Chrome
- Read the GRanTS quick start guide

Application Submittal



- **Tabs**
 - Applicant Info
 - Project
 - Project Requirements
 - Community Support
 - Org Capacity & Project Sustainability
 - Project Readiness, Additional Benefits, Other Funding
 - Attachments

Application Submittal



- **Question tabs**
 - 4,000 character limit
 - If copy/paste -use plain text
 - Answer every question
- **Attachment tab**
 - 50 megs per upload
 - Click “add” to upload another file
 - Very large files? Use zip files
 - Most attachments mandatory

Application Submittal



Attachment 1-Resolutions

ATTACHMENT 1-A Urban Streams Restoration Program

Local Public Agency Resolution Template

Resolution endorsing the application for an Urban Streams Restoration Program Grant and determining appropriate environmental impact document, conditionally accepting grant if offered, and designating project representative, contract manager, and fiscal agent.

WHEREAS, the California Department of Water Resources, FloodSAFE Environmental Stewardship and Statewide Resources Office, Urban Streams Restoration Program has announced the availability of funds for grants; and

WHEREAS, said grants are intended to help solve flooding and erosion problems in a way that provides environmental *enhancement*; and

WHEREAS, the (Sponsor) has proposed to sponsor a grant application with the (Co-sponsor); and

WHEREAS, we have concluded the project proposed for funding with grants would be environmentally beneficial and (pick one of the following):

- categorically exempt from requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under one or more of the following exemptions per sections 15300-15333 of the CEQA Guidelines: (select appropriate exemption class) _____;
- we have adopted a(n) (identify the name and year of environmental document, e.g., Negative or Mitigated Negative Declaration, Environmental Impact Report, date) _____;
- we will comply with all requirements of CEQA and other environmental permits prior to implementation of the project.

WHEREAS, we consider the prospects of receiving a grant to be reasonably likely;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

We the (Local Public Agency) approve the joint application with (Citizen's Group) for an Urban Streams Restoration Program grant.

ATTACHMENT 1-B Urban Streams Restoration Program Citizens' Group Resolution Template

Resolution endorsing the application for an Urban Streams Restoration Grant and determining appropriate environmental impact document, conditionally accepting grant if offered, and designating project representative, contract manager, and fiscal agent.

WHEREAS, the California Department of Water Resources, FloodSAFE Environmental Stewardship and Statewide Resources Office, Urban Streams Restoration Program has announced the availability of funds for grants; and

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- we will comply with all requirements of CEQA and other environmental permits prior to implementation of the project.

WHEREAS, we consider the prospects of receiving a grant to be reasonably likely;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

We the (Citizens' Group) approve the joint application with (Local Public Agency) for an Urban Streams Restoration Program grant.

Application Submittal



Attachment 2 Signature Page

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Application Signature Page

Project Name:	
Sponsor Name and Mailing Address	Check one: Local Public Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Citizens' Group <input type="checkbox"/>
Sponsor's Representative whose title is identified in resolution Name: _____ Title: _____ Phone: _____ Email Address: _____	
I certify that the information contained in this project application, including required attachments, is complete and accurate. I certify that I have the legal authority to submit the proposal on behalf of the sponsor, and the sponsor has the legal authority to enter into a contract with the State.	
Signed: _____ Date: _____	
Sponsor's Project Manager – Person with day to day responsibility for project (if different from authorized representative) Name: _____ Title: _____ Phone: _____ Email Address: _____	
Co-Sponsor Name and Mailing Address	Check one: Local Public Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Citizens' Group <input type="checkbox"/>

Application Submittal



Attachment 3 Project Description

- Follow guidance on USRP website
- No more than 3 pages

Attachment 4 Maps & Diagrams

- Include location maps, floodplain (if applicable), conceptual restoration plans, plant list

Application Submittal



Attachment 5 Photos

Attachment 6 Scope of Work

Attachment 7 Budget

Attachment 8 Schedule

Application Submittal



Attachment 9- EIF & CEQA

DWR ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FORM

Grantees are responsible for complying with all applicable laws and regulations for their projects, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Work that is subject to CEQA shall not proceed under this Agreement until documents that satisfy the CEQA process are received by the Department of Water Resources and DWR has completed its CEQA compliance. Such approval is fully discretionary and shall constitute a condition precedent to any work for which it is required. Once CEQA documentation has been completed, DWR will consider the environmental documents and decide whether to continue to fund the project or to require changes, alterations or other mitigation.

Grantee Name: _____

Project Manager: _____

Phone Number: _____

Grant Agreement #: _____

Address: _____

1. List the source of any other grants or funds received from the Department of Water Resources to implement a portion of this project.

Describe the status of the CEQA documents, expected date of completion, and total cost, if requesting DWR funds relating to CEQA compliance:

If a CEQA document has been completed, please provide the name of the document and the State Clearinghouse number if available. Submit a copy of the document to the Project Manager if it was not submitted with the original application.

List all environmental permits you must obtain to complete the project: (attach additional pages as necessary)

Who was completed by:

Signature

Phone Number

Date

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Attachment 10-Permits

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Permit Checklist

Permitting Agency	Type of Requirement	Required?	Applied?	Acquired?	Date Anticipated
Federal Agencies:					
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)	Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit, in consultation w/USFWS & NMFS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), or NOAA Fisheries	Biological Opinion (Section 7 Endangered Species Act)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
State Agencies:					
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Streambed Alteration Agreement (Section 1600)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
California Department of Fish and Wildlife	Incidental Take Permit, or consistency determination (CA Endangered Species Act)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	Encroachment Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
California Coastal Commission	Letter of Consistency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)	401 Water Quality Certification or Waste Discharge Requirement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
State Water Resources	Construction Activities Storm Water General Permit (RWQCB in				

Application Submittal



Attachment 11 Letters of Support

**Attachment 12 Property Data Sheet & Property
Acquisition Cost Schedule**

Attachment 13 Letters from landowners

Proposal Evaluation

Proposal Evaluation



Scoring

- **Eligibility and Completeness**
 - Answer all questions
 - Attach all mandatory attachments
- **Technical Scores**
 - Total possible score is 100
 - Each tab related to scoring section
 - ✦ Various attachments also related to scoring criteria

Scoring



Criteria	Score	Criteria	Score
Project Requirements/ Statutory Conditions	38	Project Readiness	16
Community Support & Collaboration	20	Additional Characteristics	5
Organizational Capacity & Project Sustainability	13	Other Funding Sources & In-kind Contributions	8
		Total:	100

Scoring



- **Project Requirements/Statutory Conditions 38pts**
 - Application questions
 - Project Description attachment
 - Site plan and maps
 - Budget, Schedule, Photos
- **Community Support & Collaboration 20pts**
 - Application questions
 - Attachments such as support letters

Scoring



- **Organizational Capacity & Project Sustainability 13pts**
 - Application questions
 - Attachments such as Schedule, CEQA & Permits
- **Project Readiness 16pts**
 - Application questions
 - Attachments such as Schedule, CEQA & Permits, Landowner letters

Scoring



- **Additional Project Characteristics and Benefits 5pts**
 - In application questions, elsewhere in application
- **Other Sources of Funds & In-Kind Contributions 8pts**
 - Application questions, Budget attachment

Scoring



- **Management Review**
 - Will determine draft funding list based on technical scores
- **After Management Review funding recommendations are released for 15 day public comment period**

Schedule

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- **October 21, 2014 Final Guidelines and PSP released**
- **January 7, 2015 Applications are due**
- **March 2015 (tentative) Draft funding recommendations and 15 day public comment period**

Schedule



- May 2015 Final Awards
- June 2015 (tentative) Begin process of executing grant agreements
- July –August 2015 (tentative) Grant agreements executed

Questions



- Questions?
- Email us at: USRPinfo@water.ca.gov
- For more information please visit our website:
www.water.ca.gov/urbanstreams